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PATRICK EGAN'S REPLY.

THE IRISH LEAGUE NOT DEAD.

The Convention Next January Will Show Its Strength—The League Not Used for Party Purposes.

Chicago, Aug. 18.—Patrick Egan, before leaving for his home in Nebraska to-day, took occasion to reply to the New York Daily News article which declares, "The Irish League in this country is now virtually dead." He said: "Representatives of the League from all parts of the Union ought to have better than the New York Daily News. They say it is not dead, and the great convention which will be held in this city next January will demonstrate that it is both alive and strong." In speaking of the death of funds Egan says that during its first years it was threatened with failure. Evidence was more numerous by a thousand than the three latter years. Parson and his associates were imprisoned and extraordinary impetus was given to the raising of funds by the issuance of the "No Irish in the League" manifesto. For these and other reasons, many of which no longer exist, the funds have not come in as they did in former years. In regard to his alleged manifesto, Egan denies the existence of a genuine manifesto. He simply wrote a brief letter correcting the misrepresentations of the press stating what he preferred. In doing so he exercised merely the privilege which belongs to every citizen, that of speaking for himself and correcting erroneous statements made concerning him.

The Saratoga Races.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Aug. 18.—The weather is warm, the attendance large, and the track was a little heavy.

First race, the Tennessee stakes for 2 year olds, 1/2 mile—Kirkman 1, Bluestone 2, Fainess 3, time, 1:17.

Second race, mile and a half—Valen 1, Col. Sprague 2, Favor 3, time, 2:40. Time in last heat, 1:16. Second heat—Rapido 1, Pearl Jennings 2, Koscusko 3, time, 1:18. Third and last heat—Rapido 1, Pearl Jennings 2, time, 1:17.

Third race, Congress hall stakes for all ages, heats of three-quarters of a mile, first heat—Pearl Jennings 1, Koscusko 2, Jim Renwick 3.

Fourth race, 1/2 mile—Strathely 1, Tellie Doe 2, Editor 3, time, 1:04.

Threats Against the British in Paris.

LONDON, Aug. 18.—The British embassy in Paris is guarded by the police and the doors were closed during the afternoon on account of threats by anarchists. The threats, ground out of charges that the British government caused Oliver Pain, the French emissary to El Mahdi, to be executed. A public demonstration of anarchists is called for to-morrow to protest against England's alleged action. Fears of disorder are entertained and the British embassy will be carefully guarded.

Father and Child Killed.

SARATOGA, N. Y., Aug. 18.—Last night about 9 o'clock a shocking accident occurred at the East street crossing of the Erie Railroad. A man named Conrad Bartman was crossing the track, carrying in his arms the little three-year-old son of Jacob Hook, and failed to see the approach of a freight engine in time to get out of the way. Bartman was struck and killed instantly. The child had both his feet off, and soon died. Bartman was a single man, 45 years of age.

Fatal Fire in Calhoun County.

TOWNEVILLE, Mich., Aug. 18.—Township Treasurer John Failing, his wife and three children were burned to death by a fire which originated in the upper story of his residence in this village. A six-year-old daughter has since died from the effects of her burns, and the lives of Mr. and Mrs. Failing are despaired of. This is probably the saddest affair of the kind that has ever occurred in Calhoun county.

Poundmaker Sentenced.

WINNEPEG, Aug. 18.—The trial of Chief Poundmaker for conspiracy in the rebellion was concluded to-day. He was sentenced to three years imprisonment. When asked why sentence should not be passed upon him he replied that he had been a good Indian all summer and saved much bloodshed. If he had wished he might have been on the prison. He said he would rather be hanged than imprisoned.

Statue of Gen. Steadman.

TOLSON, D. C., Aug. 18.—A number of prominent Toledo gentlemen have perfected a scheme for the erection of an appropriate statue to the late Gen. J. W. Steadman. The plans for the statue, which is to be a magnificent bronze one, are in the hands of New York artists. The expense of erecting the statue will be defrayed by private subscription.

The Tariff Question.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—The Treasury Department has received 200 replies, representing almost every manufacturing and important industry in the country and from almost every state, to the circular recently sent out requesting an expression of views on tariff revision.

An Indian Grave Yard in Boston.

BOSTON, Aug. 18.—The workmen at the Boston gas company's works, Commercial Point, Duxbury, excavated the remains of nine adults and five children while digging for a pipe in Commercial street this morning. It is thought they are the remains of Indians.

Poisoned by Matches.

BIRMINGHAM, Ont., Aug. 18.—The three-year-old daughter of Edward Collar, of this place, died last night from the effects of eating the top of a box of matches which she had picked up unnoticed.

New York Democratic Convention.

SARATOGA, Aug. 18.—The State Committee decided that the Democratic Convention should be held at Saratoga September 24, at noon. The vote was 20 to 10.

Vilas Said to be Nervous.

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 18.—A Madison dispatch asserts that Postmaster General Vilas is suffering from nervous troubles brought on by overwork.

REMARKABLE SURGERY.

A Buffalo Patient's Larynx Removed to Destroy a Cancer.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 18.—One of the most difficult surgical operations known to the profession was lately performed at the General Hospital by Dr. Roswell Park, it being nothing less than the removal of the larynx of a patient in order to destroy a cancer that was fast eating the parts away. The patient is Dr. J. H. Pierce, of Philadelphia, Pa., who contracted the disease while in the army in 1862. Dr. Park performed what is known as tracheotomy, cutting through the trachea from the front side of the throat and inserting a breathing tube. When the diseased parts were all cut away, the immediate voids were filled and the parts thoroughly cleansed, silver tubes, prepared in this city from models brought by Dr. Park from Europe, were inserted in the throat to replace the parts removed. A set of rods is also in process of construction which are to replace the vocal organs. They will be put in place this week. The patient is rapidly recovering. This operation has been undertaken only twice before, once in New York and once in St. Louis. The New York patient lived, the other died.

OFFENSIVE PARTISANS.

How it is Proposed to Carry Civil Service Reform.

Special to the Free Press.
WASHINGTON, Aug. 17.—Julius Emmer, Jr., the chairman of the Jeffersonian Club here, says that society has preferred charges of offensive partisanship against 800 clerks in the departments, and that 300 clerks have already been discharged in consequence of these representations. The club has taken the blue book list and gone at it systematically, investigating each name with the help of all information within reach. Branches exist in all parts of the country, and these are asked to collect information at the clerks' homes. The principal charges made are the neglect of duty in the office of party and sectional acts of partisanship. In most cases the evidence is submitted to heads of departments in the shape of sworn affidavits. When these could not be procured the charges were made in writing, and as definite as possible. At first the club thought of preferring charges against ladies as well as men, and did so in one instance. But this part of the scheme has been abandoned.

Mr. Emmer says that he has received many threatening letters from discharged clerks and from those against whom charges have been preferred. He says that he has been followed by two men, who he has reason to believe were acting for clerks and when on Sixth street, near the Smithsonian Institution, in a dark and lonely part of the city, he was held up by these men. He was not hit, however, and has not been frightened out of his investigation by the episode.

There are about 14,000 names on the roll, only a small portion of whom have thus far been investigated. Mr. Emmer says that as soon as Congress assembles and members are here to help the society from all parts of the country he expects to be very busy and he thinks he will fall very rapidly. Thus far most of the dismissals have been in the Pension Office and the Treasury.

Rev. Dr. Downes in Court.

BOSTON, Aug. 18.—Rev. Wm. Downes, of Bowdoin Square Baptist Church, and Mrs. Annie Taber, a remarkably fine looking young woman, who were arrested last night charged with adultery, were brought before the Municipal Court this morning. Both seemed entirely unconcerned. The room was crowded. The court being undecided as to the question of issuing a warrant, appointed a private hearing. It is stated to-day that for the past three weeks two men have been observed shadowing the house of Mrs. Taber in Dorchester street. Their mysterious movements have excited much curiosity in the neighborhood.

The "Yantic" Quarantined.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—The "Yantic," on her way to New Orleans from Colon, to join the "Saratoga" for the purpose of carrying the silver money from the mint there to Washington, has been stopped by the authorities at the quarantine station outside New Orleans. The authorities refused to let her enter until she is under suspicion of having been infected and subjected to all sorts of methods of disinfection. The Navy Department will not submit to that. So she will join the "Saratoga" outside the quarantine station.

Maxwell's Defense.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 18.—In the course of conversation Maxwell, or as he is now pretty definitely identified, "Brooks," said that Preller was troubled with insomnia and he prescribed chloroform for him on several occasions with benefit. Preller, however, had heartily said, and intimated he had either taken or administered to him on this occasion an overdose with fatal results. This will be "Brooks' defense when he comes to trial.

Fuller's Capture.

DENVER, Col., Aug. 18.—Fuller, who is wanted in Grand Rapids for forgery, was captured last night at Trinidad, this State, by Detective Watson, who tracked him all over the State. At first Fuller showed fight and vehemently denied that he was Charles Fuller, or as he is now pretty definitely identified, "Brooks," said that Preller was troubled with insomnia and he prescribed chloroform for him on several occasions with benefit. Preller, however, had heartily said, and intimated he had either taken or administered to him on this occasion an overdose with fatal results. This will be "Brooks' defense when he comes to trial.

A Crooked Postmaster Found.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—The Postoffice Department is informed that a shortage has been found in the accounts of the postmaster at Chico, Colorado. The shortage was subsequently made good by the postmaster, but he was suspended. His duties have been assigned to a designate some one to take charge of the office pending the appointment of his successor.

The "Jarvis Lord" Sunk.

TRAVERSE CITY, Mich., Aug. 18.—The steam-ship "Jarvis Lord," of Chicago, from New Haven, bound for St. Ignace to Chicago, sprang a leak at noon yesterday and sank in 45 fathoms of water near South Manitowish Island. Capt. Richard N.ville and crew took to the small boats and landed safely at Glen Arbor.

Great Mortality in Congo-Land.

LONDON, Aug. 18.—A member of the International Congo society in an interview to-day confirmed the reports printed in the New York Herald of the terrible loss of life among the Europeans in the Congo region. The official states that the death-rate in Lower Congo is 30 per cent.

Germanino Captured.

PORT HURON, Aug. 18.—Scott Leigh, who has just arrived in, reports that the command of Maj. Davis met a party of Indians on the 7th, killing eight men and seven others. They captured eighteen swans, Chief Germanino and one buck. Germanino is badly wounded.

THE OHIO DEMOCRATS.

HOODLY'S CHANCES THE BEST.

Crowds Gathering at Columbus—Still Talking About Thurman—Converse Out of the Race.

COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 18.—Delegates to the Democratic State Convention are arriving on extra trains, and the hotels are fast filling up. The preliminary work of organization will begin early to-morrow morning, in order that everything may be in readiness for the convention, which is to be held in the Opera House, Thursday. The indications point to an unusually harmonious convention. It is thought, however, there may be a slight contest over the selection to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Judge Okey. The old State politicians say all differences will be buried and the party will be united in endorsing the administration of Cleveland. Judge Thurman is a desire for a place on the ticket. "This," in the language of one of the old-timers in Ohio politics, "means, first, last and all the time." Indeed, a fair canvass of the field to-night indicates beyond doubt that Hoodly's re-nomination is already out and dried. When asked by a representative of the United Press whether it had been definitely asserted that Hoodly would accept a re-nomination, a prominent delegate said: "Oh, that's all right. Hoodly will accept. He can not help himself. He will be nominated by acclamation and elected, too." In fact, delegates who prefer Converse at the head of the ticket have been whipped into the Hoodly ranks. They say there is no probability of Converse's name coming before the convention, except it be for second place. The chief interest appears to settle in the platform, and there will be strong pressure brought to bear to secure the endorsement of the local license law, and indications point to its success. Should it turn out that Thurman consents to the use of his name there is no doubt but that the present harmony will be broken to some extent, but the Hoodly men claim nothing can now prevent the Governor's re-nomination. Hoodly is expected here to-morrow and it is hoped he may be induced to definitely settle the question as to the use of his name. This convention will nominate candidates for the following offices: Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Judge of the Supreme Court, to fill existing vacancies, Treasurer, Auditor General, and Members of the House of Public Works. There will be in attendance 750 delegates, and 351 votes will be necessary to a choice.

A Politician's Death.

ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 18.—Edgar K. Agar, Deputy State Treasurer, died at 2:41 p. m. The remains will be taken to Ithaca where the funeral will be held on Wednesday at 5 p. m., before the removal of the remains.

Edgar K. Agar was born in Ithaca, N. Y., in 1842. He has for more than a dozen years been one of the best known Democratic politicians in the State, and the original suggestion of nominating Cleveland for the Presidency is accredited to him. He was a warm, personal friend of the President. He had been Deputy Secretary of State and at the time of his death was Deputy State Treasurer. It was his intention to take an active part in this Fall's campaign. He has been a sufferer for several months, but always managed to perform his duties.

Canon Farrar Coming to America.

NEW YORK, Aug. 18.—Canon Farrar, whose eulogy of Gen. Grant delivered in Westminster Abbey attracted wide attention, will visit America next month. He expects to be at Quebec, Sept. 11; Chicago, Sept. 25; Baltimore, Sept. 29; Philadelphia, Oct. 5; Washington, Oct. 10. He will then spend two weeks in New York and New England and will lecture in several places and preach once in Boston and once in New York.

A Better Contract.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—The contract for supplying the Postoffice Department with facing-slips for the railway mail service was to-day awarded to the Chemical Paper Co. of Holyoke, Mass., for \$1.15 per ream. Under the former contract it was \$1.34 per ream.

Jacobini Denies the Report.

ROME, Aug. 18.—Cardinal Jacobini, Papal Secretary of State, denies that the Pope conferred with the British representative, Erington, in regard to the appointment of Rev. Dr. Walsh as archbishop of Dublin.

LUMBER NOTES.

Paragraphs from the Columns of the "Northwestern Lumberman."

Thompson Smith's Sons have purchased a steam engine and boiler for their mill at Union City, Mich.

A statement is current in Washington Territory that 15,000,000 feet of lumber was recently cut off a single quarter section of land on Samish River.

The breakwater to protect the harbor of Port Arthur, Ont., north of Lake Superior, will be 2,000 feet long when completed. It will be composed of 20 bents, built of 12x12 timbers, dovetailed and bolted.

According to the custom house report, there was shipped from the port of Alpena, Mich., this year up to Aug. 15, 75,000 feet of lumber, as compared to 67,546,000 feet for a corresponding time last year.

Contracts have been let for the 25 miles of construction on the Northwestern railway, in Manitoba, and probably 30 miles more will soon be contracted for. Present contracts call for 5,000 feet of bridging.

The Grand Lumber Company, of Menominee, Mich., lately shipped \$120,000 worth of lumber from that point to Kelley, Rath, George & Co., this city, and the Island M. L. Company shipped to the same house \$60,000 worth.

The Kirby-Carpenter Company, at Menominee, Mich., pays its men an average of \$29.50 a month, which includes all drawing wages and salary except the board. The Ray Shore Lumber Company, at the same place, pays an average of \$44 a month.

E. Nelson and W. H. Stronk, for the Cheboygan Lumber Company, of Cheboygan, Mich., recently went to the Spanish river region, north of Grand Rapids, to investigate the feasibility of booming green logs on the stream. The company owns a large amount of pine on Spanish river, but will probably not log any of it this coming season.

The White River Log & Boom Company, Mich., has sorted and delivered for the Spring drive 14,942,000 feet of logs. Besides there were 20,000,000 feet brought in by rail for the S. N. Wilson Lumber Company, or by other parties in the same manner. The cost for the season will amount to over 100,000,000 feet or more than the cut for last year.

It is said that there is a magnificent bolt of cedar along the Northern Pacific railway, in Montana. It is in a single body, and is estimated at 100,000,000 feet. The forest surrounds a lake, and is penetrated by good driving streams. This cedar is light of weight, and susceptible of a high polish. It could be lumber to Spokane Falls for shipment, either as lumber or wafer timber.

BENEFIT ASSOCIATIONS.

The Royal Templars—Red Men—Ancient Order of Hibernians.

The Royal Templars is a mutual benefit and a temperance organization. The total abstemiousness from everything that will intoxicate is one of the requisites of membership. It is composed of 100, and is gentlemen, between the ages of sixteen and sixty years. Their death benefits run from \$500 to \$2,000, as the members may see fit to carry, and its death benefits are paid within thirty days after proof of death, without dispute or litigation. It has been in existence about nine years, and has a membership of 100, and not a death has occurred. It is now growing very fast, and the members claim that they have one of the most select and harmonious working societies in the city. A member between the ages of sixteen and twenty-five is assessed \$5 per year on \$1,000 benefit, while those over 25 years of age are assessed about \$20 per year on a \$1,000 benefit. The members claim that it is one of the principles of the order to abstain from intoxicating drinks that the society is enabled to pay benefits on so low an assessment, as they pay for none of their victims. There is a Grand Council which meets the second Tuesday in February of each year and a Supreme Council which is composed of two delegates from each Grand Council.

The Red Men have a very successful lodge in the city. It was established about four years ago, and has a membership of 170. The members receive \$5 per week in case of sickness, and in case of death are given a benefit of \$100. The society has been organized almost entirely from the Odd Fellows. There are four degrees, and its workings are secret. The Grand Council of the order meets annually in the month of June, and delegates from the local tribes. The next meeting of the Grand Council in this State will be held at Saginaw next January. It is particularly strong in the Eastern States and on the Pacific slope. The local tribe is growing rapidly and promises to become one of the largest societies in the city in the near future.

ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS.

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COMMENCED BUSINESS.

Justice Harvey P. Yale Performs a Marriage Ceremony.

James L. Golderman, recently of Canada, and Mrs. Mary Pelton, of this city, were married by Justice of the Peace Harvey P. Yale Monday evening. It was the Squire's first experience in tying matrimonial knots. He was not taken by surprise, however. He had expected that he would be called upon to perform marriage ceremonies, and in order to avoid embarrassment had prepared an elaborate written ceremony, which he rehearsed to a reporter and a few friends in the afternoon. As read by the Squire the ceremony was to be with her son, a young man about twenty years of age. The latter was aroused about half past three Monday morning by a noise in his room, and turned on in his bed just in time to see a man in a dark suit of clothes and wearing a slouch hat dash out the open door. Mr. Sherwood sprang up, and seizing his revolver, a small 22-caliber one, rushed after him, calling out to stop or he would shoot, if caught, he did. The fellow was immediately struck him in the head or arm, as blood in considerable quantities was found on the spot, and a large pool of blood covered the floor of the room in which the shot was fired. The shot aroused the house, and Sheriff Pratt was called up, and on looking for a possible clue a bullet was found which the thief had dropped when shot. It contained two coats, an overcoat, a Persian shawl, other articles of apparel, and a rubber coat, in the pocket of which was Mr. Sherwood's valuable gold watch. Nothing else was missed and the thief escaped with no booty.

THE BOYS AND THE DONKEY.

They Frighten a Horse and Cause a Serious Runaway.

Yesterday morning as Miss Lizzie Steinman was driving on North Division street, her horse became frightened by seeing Martin L. Sweet's imported jackass coming down Fountain street. The jack was hitched to a cart and driven by two little boys as has often been seen on the streets lately. As he turned into Division street he began braying and the horse driven by Miss Steinman became unmanageable. He ran north until he was a few rods north of Lyon street, when he fell flat on his side, stopping the jackass suddenly to throw the jackass over his head and against the curb stone. She was picked up in vain and carried into the residence of Mrs. Lamphere. Doctors Gradow and Catlin were called. They found her severely injured, but no bones were broken. It was several hours before she regained consciousness, but in the afternoon she was able to be taken to her home. The doctors do not think that she is injured internally, but she is of a very nervous temperament and they fear serious consequences as the result of her fall.

YESTERDAY'S COURTS.

Probate.—In re, Arthur W. Voulis, Chancery Judge Geo. W. Stage, John Root and Albert Zimmerman, dependent, and neglected children. Prior admitting to State Public School at Colchester, at expense of the State of Michigan.

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FIGHTING THE WABASH.

ORDERS TO KNIGHTS OF LABOR.

No Repairs May Be Made on Wabash Property on the Line of the Union Pacific.

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 18.—The general Executive Board of the Knights of Labor in session in this city late this afternoon issued the following circular order: "To all assemblies of the Order of Knights of Labor, upon the lines of the Union Pacific Railroad and the Gould Southwestern system: All members in the employ of the above company must refuse to repair, or handle in any manner, any Wabash railroad rolling stock. If this order is antagonized by the companies, or any of their officials, your local executive board is hereby ordered to call out all Knights of Labor on any of the aforementioned lines without further orders."

The Union Pacific employees are to hold a convention on the 21st, when the question of a strike is to be considered. The employees of this system, as well as of the Southwestern system, are mostly Knights of Labor. Huettner, of Colorado, and Bailey, of Ohio, members of the Knights of Labor Executive Board, leave here to-night for Cleveland for a conference with P. M. Arthur, of the Locomotive Engineers.

ARRESTED FOR SEDUCTION.

Captured at Hastings. After a Desperate Struggle.

Freeman Barton, who exhibited the petrified woman in a side show on Monroe street, about three months ago, was arrested at Hastings yesterday by a deputy sheriff from Muskegon. After leaving here with his show he traveled around the state and finally landed in Muskegon, where he became acquainted with a little girl named Ella Himes, thirteen years of age, and pretended to marry her. After living with her two or three days he left her in Muskegon and went away. Her friends procured a warrant for his arrest, charging him with seduction and he was arrested, but made good his escape while being taken to jail and returned to Grand Rapids. The Sheriff from Muskegon came here to hunt him up and learned that he had gone to Hastings, where he was arrested after a desperate struggle, in which the Sheriff had his arm badly cut.

It was stated that as a rough prisoner the Sheriff placed the handcuffs on him and the shackles on his feet, secured them to himself and brought the prisoner here. The key of the shackles broke while looking them and he was proceeding to the Michigan Iron Works to have them opened, when Deputy Sheriff Hennessey got his eye on them, and thinking there was a couple of prisoners escaped from the jail he arrested them and lodged them safely in the Kinney mansion, where he held them until the jail officials arrived on the scene and explained the situation. The Sheriff immediately proceeded to the depot with his prisoner, en route to Muskegon. He says this is a queer country when a Sheriff cannot arrest a man without being "run in" for it.

DROPPED HIS BUNDLE.

A Burglar Discovered in a Petoskey Boarding House and Shot.

The Reporter gives the following account of an attempted burglary: There are several ladies and gentlemen stopping at Mrs. Wells' private boarding house on Emmet street, among them Mrs. Sherwood, of Alpena, with her son, a young man about twenty years of age. The latter was aroused about half past three Monday morning by a noise in his room, and turned on in his bed just in time to see a man in a dark suit of clothes and wearing a slouch hat dash out the open door. Mr. Sherwood sprang up, and seizing his revolver, a small 22-caliber one, rushed after him, calling out to stop or he would shoot, if caught, he did. The fellow was immediately struck him in the head or arm, as blood in considerable quantities was found on the spot, and a large pool of blood covered the floor of the room in which the shot was fired. The shot aroused the house, and Sheriff Pratt was called up, and on looking for a possible clue a bullet was found which the thief had dropped when shot. It contained two coats, an overcoat, a Persian shawl, other articles of apparel, and a rubber coat, in the pocket of which was Mr. Sherwood's valuable gold watch. Nothing else was missed and the thief escaped with no booty.

Several other houses in the neighborhood were visited, but no entrance was made, the thief being alarmed by the arousal of the inmates.

Access was gained by Mrs. Wells' by means of the back stairs, and an open window. The burglar first unlocked the outside door to make his escape quickly if caught, and was opening the door communicating to the interior compartments when discovered.

There is no clue to the criminal, though Sheriff Pratt is positive the fellow is some resident sneak, as everything points to such a conclusion.

The Hotel Registers.

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